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The Honorable Stewart D. Aaron United States Magistrate Judge Daniel P. Moynihan United States Courthouse 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 10007

Re: The New York Times Company et al. v. United States Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives, 18 Civ. 2902 (SDA)

Dear Judge Aaron:

We write on behalf of both parties in the above-referenced action to submit a joint status report. As previously noted, Plaintiffs in this case sought records of communications regarding bump stocks and/or replacement shoulder stocks for AR-15 style rifles from the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives ("ATFE"), pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA").

Plaintiffs are satisfied with the records produced by ATFE. Plaintiffs have now submitted a fee request, which is under agency consideration. The parties intend to continue to meet and confer about attorney fees and propose that they submit a joint status report by December 18, 2019, by which time they hope to be able to have fully resolved this matter.

We thank the Court for its consideration of this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

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